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1. Pursuant to arrangements made with Mr. Boyd Crawford, Staff Director, House Foreign Affairs Committee, a courier picked up from the Committee the transcript of the hearings before the Committee by the State Department on Wednesday, February 11, 1959. This was a briefing on the Current World Situation by Hon. Livingston Merchant, Assistant Secretary of State for European Affairs, accompanied by Hon. William B. Macomber, Jr., Assistant Secretary of State for Congressional Relations.
2. Miss Pat Mielke, secretary to Mr. Maurice Stans of the Bureau of the Budget, called to say that Mr. Stans and Mr. Roger Jones would come to the Agency for lunch on February 24th at 1:00 P. M. prior to their briefing at 2:00 P. M.
3. Miss Stack, Secretary to Senator Eugene J. McCarthy, (D., Minn.) was telephoned to see if the Senator could come to the Agency for lunch on Friday, 20 February. After checking with the Senator, Miss Stack called back to say the Senator could come on Friday and he could be picked up at the Senate Office Building at 12:30 P. M. on Friday. We informed Miss Stack that we would telephone later in the week to make definite plans on exactly where to pick up Senator McCarthy.
4. General Cabell telephoned in connection with the Journal item of 12 February 1959 in which I queried Ken BoLieu as to whether or not General Twining's office could review the transcript of the CIA appearance before the Johnson Committee on 4 February 1959. Mr. BoLieu's reply was that he would prefer that DOD make the request of the Committee and subsequently Captain Gray in General Twining's office was so advised. General Cabell stated the Director indicated this was an undesirable precedent for us to check back with the Committee prior to making it available to another executive department. General Cabell was informed that this is the existing custom and precedent and in fact most committees would, in my opinion, regard this as their perspective since the transcript is theirs taken in executive session and may well indicate viewpoints either by questions or statements of various committee members.
5. In discussing preparations for the Kilday Subcommittee briefing, the Director telephoned Representative George H. Mahon to advise him of the new CIA Subcommittee of House Armed Services and their request for review of certain aspects of CIA appropriations and other fiscal matters.

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25X1 7. Talked with Representative George Huddleston, Jr. (D., Ala.) and his assistant, Thomas King, concerning the case of [redacted] 25X1
[redacted] Some time ago Tom King had referred [redacted] to the Agency as a possible employee. He was known to them through a young lady in the office of the Representative and whom he presumably was going to marry. 25X1
In view of information developed on [redacted] it has been determined to reject him after having put him in process. The information is more of an administrative and suitability nature than subversive. After having discussed the case with Security it was agreed that Huddleston and King should be briefed. After the briefing they were most appreciative of our informing them of the facts so that they may be forewarned when [redacted] receives his rejection letter which will contain general language referring to personnel reductions and other organizational shifts. 25X1

25X1 8. [redacted] called saying that Col. Des Jarlais in General Willems' office (Acting Chief of Staff for Intelligence - Army) had telephoned indicating General Willems personally was desirous of receiving, on a continuing basis, copies of prepared statements utilized by the Director in briefing certain committees of Congress. [redacted] after discussion with General Cabell, advised me that General Cabell thought it would be desirable for Legislative Counsel to take up this matter with the Director. 25X1

9. Telephoned Julius Cahn indicating that the State Department response to Senator Humphrey's letter asking for information on East-West exchange programs and participation by various agencies would not discuss CIA. In view of our interest in this activity we felt it desirable that either Cahn or Senator Humphrey be briefed. Mr. Cahn agreed but left it to us to arrange an appropriate time after the State Department letter has been forwarded. [redacted] has been advised and will notify this office when the letter has been forwarded at which time [redacted] and Legislative Counsel will meet with Julius Cahn. 25X1

10. Sam Crosby telephoned indicating that Mr. Mahon desired the Director to appear before the Defense Subcommittee of House Appropriations at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, 2 February. In view of the Director's schedule this, by arrangement, was moved back to 10:30 a.m. Mr. Crosby thought that just possibly the Director's presence would be required for two full days. I mentioned that this might cause some problem since House Foreign Affairs had asked us to come back in the afternoon of 3 February